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Minutes of the

Sixty-sixth Annual Session

OF THE

Re-Organized

SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with Hollow Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Caldwell County, North Carolina, Friday, Saturday and Sunday

September 2, 3, 4, 1949

OFFICERS

Elder Henry C. McMillon, Moderator . . . . Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
C. D. McGee, Clerk . . . . . Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Elder Orvin J Huffman, Asst. Clerk . . . Rt. 4, Asheville, N. C.

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flect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his failings or imperfections, but shall fairly state the case and matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his ideas.

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10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in nor prohibit him from speaking until he has given his views on the subject, except the speaker break the rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be the last person who may speak on the subject, and may give his ideas on it, if he please, before he puts the matter to a vote.

13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as it shall see proper.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The re-organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association met with the church at Hollow Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Caldwell County near Lenoir, North Carolina, Friday, September 2, 1949 at 11:00 a. m. After praise and prayer by Brother Homer Poplin the introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Henry C. McMillon; text, Ephesians 4:12.

After lunch, the ministers and messengers re-assembled in the house, and after praise and prayer by Elder L. L. Huffman, the Association proceeded with the following order of business.

1. Elder Henry C. McMillon was chosen, by vote of the body, to act as Moderator; Brother C. D. McGee was chosen as Clerk; and Elder Orvin J. Huffman was chosen as Assistant Clerk.

2. Called for letters from the churches composing this Association. The letters being handed in and read, the Messengers therein named were seated for the transaction of business.

3. Called for correspondence from sister associations with whom we are in direct correspondence, and received the following:

From Original Bear Creek—Elders V. V. Willard, C. M. Mills, E. H. Simpson, Licentiate H. L. Poplin; Brethren Ellis Huneycutt, T. B. Polk, W. R. Coley, G. A. Hope, C. J. Mullis, Brother and Sister Carl Griffin, Brother and Sister J. M. Williams, Brother and Sister J. M. Mills.

From Little River—Elders J. S. Collins, J. S. Stephenson, Brethren J. M. Byrd, W. D. Barbour, S. F. Lawrence.

From Tennessee and Nolachucky—File of minutes.

4. Called for petitionary letters—None.

5. Called for visiting brethren and sisters from sister associations and churches, and received the following: None.

6. Ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this sitting. He appointed the following committees:

Committee on Preaching—Brethren Sam Hartley, Leonard Anderson and Elder L. L. Huffman.

Committee on Finance—Brethren Howard Coffey, Calvin Whittington, T. H. Whittington and all male members of Hollow Springs Church.

7. Called on brethren who visited sister associations last year to report, who reported and were discharged.

8. Ordered that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 a. m. Prayer by Elder Orvin J. Huffman.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1949

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday, with praise and prayer by Elder J. S. Collins.

2. Extended invitation for visitors and correspondents.

3. Ordered that we continue correspondence with the following associations:

To Original Bear Creek—Elders Orvin J. Huffman, Henry C. McMillon; Brethren C. D. McGee, Leonard Anderson, and Sam Hartley.

To Little River—Elder Henry C. McMillon, Brethren Howard Coffey, Sam Hartley, and C. D. McGee.

To Tennessee and Nolachucky—Elder Henry C. McMillon, Brethren K. Crawford, and Leonard Anderson.

To Sequatchie Valley—Collins River—Minutes

It was further ordered that any other member or members of this Association could represent us in any of the above Associations, if they attend.

4. Ordered that we have both the Rules of Decorum and the Articles of Faith printed in these minutes with a Statistical Table in the back.

5. Called on Committee on Preaching to report, who reported the following and were discharged.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday—Elder Henry C. McMillon; text, Ephesians 4:12; Elder V. V. Willard; text, Hebrews 2:9; Elder C. M. Mills; text, "Grain of Mustard Seed."

Saturday—Elder L. L. Huffman; text, Luke 13:19; Licentiate Homer Poplin; text, Gal. 5:5; Elder E. H. Simpson (Failed to get text), Elder J. S. Stephenson; text, John 1:1.

Sunday—Elder W. E. Snyder; text, Isaiah 50:2; Elder J. S. Collins; text, John 10:27; Elder J. S. Stephenson; text, Romans 8.

6. Called on Committee on Finance to report, who reported the following and were discharged.

Received from churches and friends	$182.00
Given to Elders	$120.00
Allowed for printing minutes	$ 62.00

7. Ordered that the next sitting of this Association be held with the church at Mountain Home—60 Morris Avenue (off Brevard Road) West Asheville, North Carolina, Friday, Saturday and first Sunday in September, 1950.

8. Ordered that we have 300 copies of the minutes printed and distributed as usual, and that the clerk superintend the same.

9. Called for unfinished business. None.

10. Called for new business and announcements.

11. Ordered that we thank this Church and the brethren and sisters of sister churches, together with our many friends, for their generous support and untiring efforts to make this year's meeting one that will long be remembered, and that we fail not to give God thanks for having kept us through the year just past, and for permitting us another such sweet association in love, peace and fellowship.

12. Ordered that we adjourn until the time and place of our next meeting, with benediction by Elder W. E. Snyder.

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Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.

VISITING ELDERS AND ADDRESSES

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Elder C. M. Mills, Rt. 1, Box 124, Charlotte, N. C.
Elder V. V. Willard, Rt. 2, High Point, N. C.
Elder E. H. Simpson, Rt. 4, Concord, N. C. — Watson.
Licentiate H. L. Poplin

Little River

Elder J. S. Collins, Rt. 1, Angier, N. C.
Elder J. S. Stephenson, Brenson, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Recevied by Letter	Rec d by Confession	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Sunday of Meeting
Hollow Springs	Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.; Elder V. V. Willard, Asst., Rt. 2, High Point, N. C.	C. D. McGee, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	31	2
Philadelphia	Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.	A. K. Moore, Lenoir, N. C.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	21	4
Mountain Home	Elder L. L. Huffman, Rt. 4, Asheville, N. C., Elder Orvin J. Huffman, Asst., Rt. 4, Asheville, N. C.	Herman O. Gaddy, Asheville, N. C.	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	23	& 3 1
Reddis River	Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.	C. S. Whittington, Wilbar, N. C.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	1

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— Held With —

PHILADELPHIA
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Caldwell County, North Carolina
Friday, Saturday and Sunday
August 31, September 1 and 2

1951

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OFFICERS

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Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C. Moderator

BROTHER C. D. McGEE -
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PROCEEDINGS

of the Sixty-Eighth Annual Session of the Re-Organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association

The Re-organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association met with Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church in Caldwell County, North Carolina, Friday, August 31, 1951 at 10:30 o'clock. After praise and prayer by Elder L. L. Huffman, the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Henry C. McMillon from Lenoir, N. C., text, Acts 10:20. Prayer by Elder W. E. Snyder.

After lunch, the ministers and messengers re-assembled in the house, and after praise and prayer by Elder W. E. Snyder, it was moved and seconded that Elder Henry C. McMillon act as Moderator and Brother C. D. McGee as Clerk.

1. Called for letters from the churches composing this Association. The letters being handed in and read, the messengers therein named were seated for the transaction of business.

2. Called for correspondents from sister Associations with whom we are in direct correspondence, and received the following:

From Original Bear Creek — Elder E. H. Simpson and wife (Sister Simpson), Elder B. D. Willard and wife (Sister Willard), Elder V. V. Willard, Brethren and sisters, Roy Hardy and wife, C. J. Mullis and wife, Bill Curlee and wife, T. B. Polk, Ben Polk, W. R. Coley.

From Little River — Elders J. T. Lewis, J. S. Stephenson, E. L. Ferguson, J. S. Collins, Brethren S. F. Lawrence, Worth Stephenson, Wilbur T. Barbour, Milton Byrd, Rom Clifton, Archie Hatcher, Selma Clifton, Zennie Stephenson.

From Tennessee and Nolachucky — None.

3. Called for petitionary letters — None.

4. Called for visiting brethren and sisters from sister Associations and churches, and received the following:

Ray's Fork Church, Scott County, Kentucky — Elder C. L. Ratcliff and wife (Sister Ratcliff), Brother Kenneth Ratcliff, Brother Glenn Wright.

Friendship Church, Atlanta, Georgia, Sister Dorothy Terry.

North District Association, Liberty Church, Estie County, Kentucky, Sister Ella Christopher.

Pilgrim's Rest Association, Little Rock Church, Miami, Florida, Sister (Mrs.) June Lockhart.

Mount Zion Church — Blanchester, Ohio, Elder Rice Bolender and wife, (Sister Bolender).

5. Ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this sitting. He appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Preaching — Elder L. L. Huffman, Brethren Sam Hartley, Leonard Anderson, Howard Coffey.

Committee on Finance — Brethren W. F. Craig, C. E. Clark, Leroy Brakefield, M. F. Greene, K. Crawford.

6. Called on brethren who visited sister Associations last year to report, who reported and were discharged.

7. Ordered that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock. Prayer by Elder E. H. Simpson.

Preaching services were continued by Elder V. V. Willard, text, Isaiah 49:24-25, followed by Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text, Matt. 16:18-19. Services closed by Elder Henry C. McMillon.

Services at night were opened with praise and prayer by Elder Rice Bolender. Preaching by Elder W. E. Snyder, text, John 5:1. Services closed with prayer by Elder Rice Bolender.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1951

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To Tennessee and Nolachucky — Elders L. L. Huffman, Henry McMillon, Brethren Howard Coffey, Sam Hartley, C. D. McGee, K. Crawford, A. K. Moore and wife (Sister Moore).

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3. Ordered that we have both the Rules of Decorum and the Articles of Faith printed in these Minutes with a Statistical Table and Church Directory in the back.

4. Called on the Committee on Preaching to report, who reported the following and were discharged.

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Elder V. V. Willard, text, Isaiah 49:24-25
Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text, Matt. 16:18-19

Friday night —

Elder W. E. Snyder, text, John 5:1

Saturday —

Elder Rice Bolender, text, St. Mark 10:13
Elder E. H. Simpson, text, Matt. 28:19
Elder E. L. Ferguson, text, Titus 2:11-14
Elder J. S. Collins, text, Acts 8:35

Saturday night —

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text, Hebrews 13:14

Sunday —

Elder B. D. Willard (failed to get text)
Elder Rice Bolender, text, Matthew 11-28
Elder J. S. Stevenson, text, John 1:1-4

5. Called on Committee on Finance to report, who reported the following and were discharged:

Received from churches and friends	$230.00
Given to Elders	168.00
To Clerk (for Minutes, postage, etc.)	62.00

6. Ordered that the next sitting of this Association be held with Hollow Springs Church, Caldwell County, North Carolina, on Friday, Saturday and first Sunday in September, 1952.

7. Ordered that we have 300 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed as usual, and that the Clerk superintend the same.

8. Called for unfinished business — None.

9. Called for new business and announcements — None.

10. Ordered that we thank this church and the brethren and sisters of sister churches, together with our many friends, for their generous support and untiring efforts to make this year's meeting one that will long be remembered, and that we fail not to give thanks to God for having kept us through the year just past, and for permitting us another such sweet Association in love, peace, and fellowship.

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ELDER HENRY McMILLON, Moderator

BROTHER C. D. McGEE, Clerk

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Elder L. L. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 112, West Asheville, N. C.
Elder Orvin J. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 137, West Asheville, N .C.
Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Elder W. E. Snyder, 44 W. Devonshire St., Winston-Salem, N. C.

VISITING ELDERS AND ADDRESSES

(By Associations or Churches)

Original Bear Creek

Elder E. H. Simpson, Rt. 4, Concord, N. C.
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Elder B. D. Willard, Rt. 6, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Little River

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Elder J. S. Stephenson, Benson, N. C.

Mount Zion Church

Elder Rice Bolender, Rt. 2, Batavia, Ohio.

Ray's Fork Church

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, 705 Philadelphia St., Covington, Ky.

CHURCHES COMPOSING THE RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SEPTEMBER, 1950

	Rec'd by Ex. & B	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Relation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship
Hollow Springs, Caldwell Co., N.C.	3						1	34
Mountain Home, Buncombe Co., N. C.	3							29
Philadelphia, Caldwell Co., N. C.	2						2	19
Reddies River, Wilkes Co., N. C.							2	28
Totals	8						5	110

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Hollow Springs—A brick church building on Lenoir-Wilkesboro highway (N. C. 18) 13 miles northeast of Lenoir on right side of highway, or 20 miles southwest of Wilkesboro, on left side of highway.
Pastor: Elder Henry C. McMillon ..... Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Ass't Pastor: Elder V. V. Williard ..... Rt. 2, High Point, N. C.
Church Clerk: Brother C. D. McGee ..... Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Regular Meetings: Second Sunday and Saturday before.

Mountain Home—A brick church building at 60 Morris Ave., W. Asheville, N. C. From Haywood Road in West Asheville via Brevard Road (N. C. 191) to 3rd paved street on right. From Brevard or Hendersonville via 191, enter city limits and cross over top of first hill to 2nd paved street on left. Church sign at corner of Brevard Rd., and Morris Ave.

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Elder Orvin J. Huffman ..... Rt. 4, Box 137, W. Asheville, N. C.
Church Clerk: Bro. Roy F. Chason 25 Westwood Pl., W. Asheville, N. C.
Ass't Church Clerk: Brother Herman Gaddy, Rt. 3, W. Asheville, N. C.
Regular Meetings: Every Sunday 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. also Saturday before 3rd Sunday, 7:30 p. m.

Philadelphia—A brick church building. From Lenoir, take highway U. S. 321A south to Whitnel, turn right at first stop light, continue to forks of road at large brick church, turn right, proceed about 3 miles to end of hard surface at Philadelphia Church on right. From Hickory, take U. S. 321 northwest to Whitnel, at above mentioned stop light turn left and proceed as above.

Pastor: Elder Henry C. McMillon ..... Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Church Clerk: Brother A. K. Moore ..... Rt. 3, Box 101, Lenoir, N. C.
Ass't Church Clerk: Brother Howard Coffey ..... Lenoir, N. C.
Regular Meetings: Fourth Sunday and Saturday before.

Reddies River—From North Wilkesboro, take highway U. S. 421 west to Miller's Creek, turn right on N. C. 16 to junction of old and new highways N. C. 16 at church sign reading "2½ miles to Reddies River Church," turn right. From north or west, take appropriate highway to intercection of Blue Ridge Parkway and N. C. 16, take N. C. 16 toward N. Wilkesboro to junction at church sign mentioned above, turn left.
Pastor: Elder Henry C. McMillon ..... Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Church Clerk: Brother Calvin S. Whittington, Reddies River, N. C.
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7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory. John 10:27-29; Col. 3:1-4.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment. Matt. 16:21; John 5:28, 29; Rom. 14: 10-12; 2 Cor. 5:10, 11.

9. We believe that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal. Matt. 25:46; 2 Thess. 1:9.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

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4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, until he has finished.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his failings or imperfections, but shall fairly state the case and matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his ideas.

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8. No member of the Association shall have liberty to be whispering or laughing in time of public speech.

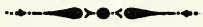
9. No member of this Association shall address another in any other term or appellation than the title of "Brother."

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, nor prohibit him from speaking until he has given his views on the subject, except the speaker break the rules of this decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be the last person who may speak on the subject, and may give his ideas on it, if he please, before he puts the matter to a vote.

13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as it shall see proper.



PROCEEDINGS

Of the Sixty-Ninth Annual Session of the Re-Organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association

The Re-Organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association met with Hollow Springs Primitive Baptist Church in Caldwell County, North Carolina, Friday, September 5, 1952 at 10:30 o'clock. After praise and prayer by Brother R. A. Johnson, the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder L. S. Saylor from Farmington, Michigan, 20421 Hugh Street. Text, Romans 1:16. Prayer by Elder Orvin J. Huffman.

After lunch, the ministers and messengers re-assembled in the house, and after praise and prayer by Elder Orvin J. Huffman, it was moved and seconded that Elder H. C. McMillon act as Moderator and Brother C. D. McGee as Clerk.

1. Called for letters from the churches composing this Association. The letters being handed in and read, the messengers therein named were seated for the transaction of business.

2. Called for correspondents from sister Associations with whom we are in direct correspondence, and received the following:

From Original Bear Creek—Elder C. M. Mills and wife; Elder V. V. Willard, Elder E. H. Simpson and wife.

From Little River—Elder J. T. Lewis, Elder J. S. Collins, Brethren W. D. Barbour and wife, Archie Hatcher and wife, O. B. Currin.

From Sequatchie Valley—Collins River—Brother D. M. Raulston.

From Tennessee and Nolachucky—Elder Harold Tipton, Elder Otha Henry, Brother Andrew Gregory.

4. Called for visiting brethren and sisters from sister Associations and churches, and received the following:

Ray's Fork Church, Scott County, Kentucky, Elder C. L. Ratcliff and wife.

Powell's Valley—Elder L. S. Saylor.

Friendship Association, Cool Springs Church—Elder H. H. Roberts (c/o Chesnee Mill Store, Chesnee, S. C.), Brother R. A. Johnson (c/o P. O., Greenville, S. C.)

5. Ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this sitting. He appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Preaching—Elder L. L. Huffman, Brethren K. Crawford, Sam Hartley, Howard Coffey.

Committee on Finance—Brethren Leroy Brakefield, Leonard Anderson, C. E. Clark, Sam Hartley, Earl Coffey.

6. Called on brethren who visited sister Associations last year to report, who reported and were discharged.

7. Ordered that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock. Prayer by Elder L. S. Saylor.

Preaching services were continued by Elder C. M. Mills, text, James 1:17, followed by Elder V. V. Willard, text, John 1:17. Services were closed by Elder H. H. Roberts.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday, with praise and prayer by Elder Harold Tipton.

1. Extended invitation for visitors and correspondents.

2. Ordered that we continue correspondence with the following Associations:

To Original Bear Creek—Elder Orvin Huffman, Elder L. L. Huffman, Elder Henry McMillon, Brethren K. Crawford, Sam Hartley, Leroy Brakefield, C. D. McGee, W. F. Craig, Leonard Anderson.

To Little River—Elder Orvin Huffman, Elder Henry McMillon, Brethren C. E. Clark, Howard Coffey, C. D. McGee, Leonard Anderson, K. Crawford, Leroy Brakefield, W. F. Craig.

To Tennessee and Nolachucky—Elder L. L. Huffman, Elder Henry McMillon, Brethren Leonard Anderson, Sam Hartley, K. Crawford, C. D. McGee.

To Sequatchie Valley—Collins River—Elder Orvin Huffman, Elder Henry McMillon, Brethren C. D. McGee, Sam Hartley, Leonard Anderson.

It was further ordered that any other member or members of this Association could represent us in any of the above Associations, if they attend.

3. Ordered that we have both the Rules of Decorum and the Articles of Faith printed in these Minutes with a Statistical Table and Church Directory in the back.

4. Called on the Committee of Preaching to report, who reported the following and were discharged.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday—

Elder L. S. Saylor, text, Romans 1:1-16
Elder C. M. Mills, text, James 1:17
Elder V. V. Willard, text, John 1:17

Friday Night—

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text, John 24:5
Elder Orvin Huffman, text, John 10:1-10

Saturday—

Elder H. H. Roberts, text, Luke 10:30
Elder E. H. Simpson, text, Romans 10:15
Elder J. S. Collins, text, Timothy 2:2-15
Elder Otha Henry, text, "And they that hear shall live."

Saturday Night—

Elder Harold Tipton, (failed to get text)
Elder L. S. Saylor, (failed to get text)

Sunday—

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text, Ephesians 4:8-13
Elder Harold Tipton, (failed to get text)
Elder J. T. Lewis, (failed to get text)

5. Called on Committee on Finance to report, who reported the following and were discharged:

Received from churches and friends	$267.00
Given to Elders	$205.00
To Clerk (for Minutes, postage, etc.)	$ 62.00

6. Ordered that the next sitting of this Association be held with Mountain Home Church, 60 Morris Ave., W. Asheville, N. C., on Friday, Saturday and first Sunday in September, 1953.

7. Ordered that we have 300 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed as usual, and that the Clerk superintend the same.

8. Called for unfinished business—None.

9. Called for new business and announcements: Ordered that we adopt 5th Sunday meetings to include Saturday night before. Order of rotation to begin with Hollow Springs, 5th Sunday in November, followed by Mountain Home, Philadelphia and Reddies River.

10. Ordered that we thank this church and the brethren and sisters of sister churches, together with our many friends, for their generous support and untiring efforts to make this year's meeting one that will long be remembered, and that we fail not to give thanks to God for having kept us through the year just past, and for permitting us another such sweet Association in love, peace and fellowship.

11. Ordered that we adjourn until the time and place of our next meeting, with benediction by Elder J. S. Collins.

ELDER HENRY C. McMILLON, Moderator
BROTHER C. D. McGEE, Clerk

HOME ELDERS AND ADDRESSES

Elder L. L. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 112, West Asheville, N. C.
Elder Orvin J. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 137, West Asheville, N. C.
Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Elder W. E. Snyder, 44 W. Devonshire St., Winston-Salem, N. C.

VISITING ELDERS AND ADDRESSES

(By Associations or Churches)

Original Bear Creek

Elder E. H. Simpson, Rt. 4, Concord, N. C.
Elder V. V. Willard, Rt. 2, High Point, N. C.
Elder C. M. Mills, 3130 Central Ave., Charlotte, N. C.

Little River

Elder James S. Collins, Rt. 1, Angier, N. C.
Elder J. T. Lewis, Coats, N. C.

Ray's Fork Church

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, 705 Philadelphia St., Covington, Ky.

Tennessee and Nolachucky

Elder Harold Tipton, Rt. 2, Townsend, Tenn.
Elder Otha Henry, Rt. 1, Townsend, Tenn.

Friendship Association

Elder H. H. Roberts, c/o Chesnee Mills Store, Chesnee, S. C.

Powell's Valley Association

Elder L. S. Saylor, 20421 Hugh St., Farmington, Mich.

CHURCHES COMPOSING THE RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

September 1952

	Rec'd by Ex. & B	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Relation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship
Hollow Springs, Caldwell Co., N.C.								34
Mountain Home, Buncombe Co., N. C.								29
Philadelphia, Caldwell Co., N. C.	5						1	23
Reddies River, Wilkes Co., N. C.								28
Totals	5						1	114

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Regular Meetings: Second Sunday and Saturday before.

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Church Clerk: Bro. Roy F. Chason 25 Westwood Pl., W. Asheville, N. C.
Ass't Church Clerk: Brother Herman Gaddy, Rt. 3, W. Asheville, N. C.
Regular Meetings: Every Sunday 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. also Saturday before 3rd Sunday, 7:30 p. m.

Philadelphia—A brick church building. From Lenoir, take highway U. S. 321A south to Whitnel, turn right at first stop light, continue to forks of road at large brick church, turn right, proceed about 3 miles to end of hard surface at Philadelphia Church on right. From Hickory, take U. S. 321 northwest to Whitnel, at above mentioned stop light turn left and proceed as above.

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SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

— of the —

Re-organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

MOUNTAIN HOME PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Buncombe County, North Carolina

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

September 4, 5, and 6

1953

Next Session convenes with Philadelphia Church, Caldwell County, N. C. Friday before the first Sunday in September,

1954

OFFICERS

ELDER HENRY C. McMILLON
Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C. — Moderator

BROTHER C. D. McGEE
Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C. — Clerk

THE PURPOSE OF THE RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. This Association shall be conducted for no other purpose than song-singing, prayer, and preaching, except that which shall be necessary to show the status of each Church composing this body, and every transaction shall be shown in the form of a Minute.

2. We agree that the purpose of the Association is for the benefit of the Church, where the Association meets as a guest, and for the benefit of the surrounding settlement. It is further agreed that this Association is not to infringe upon the rights of any church and neither is any church to infringe upon the rights of this Association.

3. We understand that this Association shall be conducted under the authority of whatever churches compose this Association and the officers of those churches shall be the officers of this Association, except as those churches may request any members to assist in its transactions.

4. This Association shall have no power to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature, except such question has first been passed upon by the churches composing this Association.

5. Any members who shall try to bring into this Association any question relative to fellowship shall be considered out of order.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one. I Cor. 8:6; I John 5:7.

2. We believe that the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. 2 Peter 3:2; 2 Tim. 3:16.

3. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from the fallen state which he is in, by his own ability. Heb. 11:6; 2 Thess. 3:2; John 10:26; Acts 13:48.

4. We believe that salvation is only by grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Eph. 2:4-10; Rom. 11:4-8.

5. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, and should be practiced by all true believers. Mark 1:9-11; Rom. 6:3; Luke 22:7-20; John 13:1-17.

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13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as it shall see proper.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Re-Organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association met with Mountain Home Primitive Baptist Church in Buncombe County, North Carolina, Friday, September 4, 1953, at 10:30 o'clock. After praise and prayer by Elder W. E. Snyder, the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Henry C. McMillon, of Lenoir, N. C. Moderator of this Association; text Romans 8:28: "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

After lunch, the ministers and messengers reassembled in the house, and after praise and prayer by Brother P. A. Gregory of the Tennessee and Nolachucky Consolidated Association, it was moved and seconded that Elder Henry C. McMillon act as Moderator and Brother C. D. McGee, as clerk.

1. Called for letters from the churches composing this Association. The letters being handed in and read, the messengers therein named were seated for the transaction of business.

2. Called for correspondents from sister Associations with whom we are in direct correspondence, and received the following:

From Original Bear Creek: Elder Hoyle Simpson, Brethren, W. R. Coley, Roy Hardy, and Ed Petterson.

From Little River: Brother and Sister J. Milton Byrd, Brother and Sister S. S. Carroll, and Sister Sallie Parrish.

From Sequatchie Valley - Collins River: File of minutes.

From Tennessee and Nolachucky: File of minutes.

3. Called for visiting brethren and sisters from Sister Associations and churches and received the following:

From Tennessee and Nolachucky: Brother P. A. Gregory.

From Friendship (of Georgia): Elder H. H. Roberts, Sisters Agnes and Linda Burns, Brother Johnnie Gilbert, Brother and Sister T. Bartowe Harber, Sister Mary F. Huffman, Brother Alvin Johnson, Brother and Sister D. N. Johnson, Sister Mary Johnson, Brother Frank McKinney, Brother and Sister W. A. Summerlin.

From Old Skillet Fork: Elder Thomas E. Jones.

From Powells Valley: Brother W. A. Branson, Brother and Sister Floyd Raley.

From Ray's Fork Church (Sadieville, Ky.): Elder and Sister C. L. Ratcliff, Brother and Sister Kenneth Ratcliff.

From Twin Creek Church (Harrison Co., Ky.): Sister Norma J. Juett.

In addition to the foregoing, we were indeed happy to have among our many visitors the following: Mrs. W. E. Snyder of Winston-Salem, N. C.; Miss Vera M. Kidwell of Arlington, Va.; and Mr. W. E. Honeycutt of Black Mountain, N. C.

We are glad that each of you came our way and hope the Lord will

enable you to visit us again and again.

4. Ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this sitting. He appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Preaching: Brethren Leonard Anderson, Howard Coffey, K. Crawford, and Sam Hartley.

Committee on Finance: Elders L. L. Huffman and Orvin J. Huffman, Brethren Foster Chason, Earl Coffey, Herman Gaddy, C. D. McGee, and Gene Watson.

5. Called on brethren who visited sister Associations last year to report, who reported and were discharged .

6. Ordered that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock. Prayer by Elder C. L. Ratcliff of Covington, Ky.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1953

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday, with praise and prayer by Elder C. L. Ratcliff.

1. Extended invitation for visitors and correspondents.

2. Ordered that we continue correspondence with the following Associations:

To Original Bear Creek (To be at Meadow Creek Church, Fri., Sat., and 3rd Sunday in September, 1954): Elders L. L. Huffman and Henry C. McMillon, Brethren Leroy Brakefield, K. Crawford, Sam Hartley, C. D. McGee, Gene Watson, Brother and Sister W. F. Craig, Brother and Sister Leonard Anderson.

To Little River (To be at Salem Church, Fri., Sat., and 4th Sunday in September 1953): Elders Orvin J. Huffman and Henry C. McMillon, Brethren Leroy Brakefield, C. D. McGee, Gene Watson.

To Sequatchie Valley - Collins River (To be at Mt. Oak Church near Tracy City, Tenn., Fri., Sat., and 2nd Sunday in August 1954): Elders L. L. Huffman and Orvin J. Huffman.

To Tennessee and Nolachucky (To be at Laurel Grove Church, Gatlinburg, Tenn., Fri., 2nd Sat., and Sunday in October 1953): Elders L. L. Huffman and Henry C. McMillon, Brethren Leonard Anderson, Howard Coffey, K. Crawford, Herman Gaddy, C. D. McGee, Gene Watson.

It was further ordered that any other member or members of this Association could represent us in any of the above Associations if they attend.

3. Ordered that we have both the Rules of Decorum and the Articles of Faith printed in these Minutes with a Statistical Table and Church Directory in the back.

4. Called on the Committee on Preaching to report, who reported the following and were discharged:

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday morning—

Elder Henry C. McMillon, text Romans 8:28.

Friday Afternoon—

Elder Thomas E. Jones, text Proverbs 22:6.

Friday Night—

Elder W. E. Snyder, text I John 4:7.

Saturday Morning—

Elder E. H. Simpson, text I John 3:14.

Saturday afternoon—

Brother P. A. Gregory, introductory remarks.

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text Romans 10:13-17.

Saturday Night—

Elder H. H. Roberts, text Romans 8:29.

Sunday Morning—

Elder Orvin J. Huffman, text Matthew 5:14.

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text Matthew 25:14-30.

Elder Henry C. McMillon, text II Timothy 2:19.

(At the close of Sunday morning services, Sister Cecelia Ransdell of Amelia, Ohio, came forward asking for a home in the church. She was baptized the same afternoon in the Enka Lake with Elders C. L. Ratcliff and Orvin J. Huffman officiating.)

5. Called on the Committee on Finance to report, who reported the following and were discharged:

Received from churches and friends	$235.18
Given to Elders	185.18
To Clerk (for Minutes, postage, etc.)	$ 50.00

6. Ordered that the next sitting of this Association be held with Philadelphia Church, Caldwell County, N. C., on Friday, Saturday, and first Sunday in September 1954.

7. Ordered that we have 300 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed as usual, and that the Clerk superintend the same.

8. Called for unfinished business: None.

9. Called for new business and announcements.

10. Ordered that we thank this church and the brethren and sisters of sister churches, together with our many friends, for their generous support and untiring efforts to make this year's meeting one that will long be remembered, and that we fail not to give thanks to God for having kept us through the year just past, and for permitting us another such sweet Association in love, peace, and fellowship.

11. Ordered that we adjourn until the time and place of our next meeting, with benediction by Elder Orvin J. Huffman of Mountain Home Church.

ELDER HENRY C. McMILLON, Moderator
BROTHER C. D. McGEE, Clerk

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Elder L. L. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 112, West Asheville, N. C.
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Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Elder W. E. Snyder, 44 W. Devonshire St., Winston Salem, N. C.

VISITING ELDERS AND ADDRESSES

(By Associations or Churches)

Original Bear Creek

Elder E. H. Simpson, Rt. 4, Concord, N. C.

Friendship (of Ga.)

Elder H. H. Roberts, c/o Mill Store, Chesnee, S. C.

Old Skillet Fork

Elder Thomas E. Jones, Norris City, Illinois.

Ray's Fork Church

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, 705 Philadelphia Street, Covington, Kentucky.

CHURCHES COMPOSING THE RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION September 1952	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Relation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship
Hollow Springs, Caldwell Co., N. C.	1							35
Mountain Home, Buncombe Co., N. C.	3				2			30
Philadelphia, Caldwell Co., N. C.	1						1	34
Reddies River, Wilkes Co., N. C.								28
Totals	5						1	114

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Ass't Pastor: Elder V. V. Williard _____ Rt. 2, High Point, N. C.
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Elder Orvin J. Huffman _____ Rt. 4, Box 137, W. Asheville, N. C.
Church Clerk: Bro. Herman O. Gaddy _____ Rt. 3, W. Asheville, N. C.
Ass't Church Clerk: Sister Maude Gallamore, 99 N. Holland, Asheville
Regular Meetings: Every Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

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Caldwell County, North Carolina

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1955

OFFICERS

ELDER HENRY C. McMILLON
Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C. — Moderator

BROTHER C. D. McGEE
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After lunch, the ministers and messengers reassembled in the house, and after praise and prayer by Elder J. S. Collins of Little River Association, it was moved and seconded that Elder Henry McMillon act as Moderator and Brethren C. D. McGee and Earl Coffey as clerks.

1. Called for letters from the churches composing this Association. The letters being handed in and read, the messengers therein named were seated for the transaction of business.

2. Called for correspondents from sister Associations with whom we are in direct correspondence and received the following.

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From Little River: Elder J. S. Collins, Brethren Stokes Lawrence, Lester Williams.

From Sequatchie Valley — Collins River: File of Minutes.

From Tennessee and Nolachucky: File of Minutes.

3. Called for visiting brethren and sisters from Sister Associations and churches and received the following:

From Tennessee and Nolachucky: Elder P. A. Gregory.

From Little River Association: Brother Milton Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Watkins.

We are glad that each of you came our way and hope the Lord will enable you to visit us again and again.

4. Ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this sitting. He appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Preaching: Brethren Sam Hartley, Gene Watson, K. Crawford.

Committee on Finance: Elder Orvin Huffman, Brethren Leonard Anderson, Howard Coffey, Milton Greene.

5. Called on brethren who visited sister Associations last year to report, who reported and were discharged.

6. Ordered that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock. Prayer by Elder Orvin Huffman of Asheville, N. C.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1954

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday, with praise and prayer by Elder C. L. Ratcliff.

1. Extended invitation for visitors and correspondents.

2. Ordered that we continue correspondence with the following Associations:

To Original Bear Creek: Elder Orvin Huffman, Elder Henry McMillon, Brethren Howard Coffey, C. D. McGee, K. Crawford, Gene Watson, Earl Coffey, Leroy Brakefield.

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It was further ordered that any other member or members of this Association could represent us in any of the above Associations if they attend.

3. Ordered that we have both the Rules of Decorum and the Articles of Faith printed in these Minutes with a Statistical Table and Church Directory in the back.

4. Called on the Committee on Preaching to report, who reported the following and were discharged:

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday morning: Elder Henry McMillon, (failed to get text.)

Friday afternoon: Elder C. M. Mills, "Speak the things that become sound doctrines."

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Saturday morning: Elder J. S. Collins, text, Deut. 32:11. Elder Hoyle Simpson, (failed to get text.)

Saturday afternoon: Elder Orvin Huffman (failed to get text).

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, text, Titus 1:1-3.

Saturday night: Elder P. A. Gregory, text, Matt. 17:5. Elder Rice Bolenger, Text, Romans 6:23.

Sunday morning: Elder Rice Bolenger, text, Ephesians 5:23. "Husbands love your wives." Elder Henry McMillon, text, Isaiah 33:1.

5. Called on the Committee on Finance to report, who reported the following and were discharged:

Received from churches and friends _____$202.00

Given to Elders _____$181.00

To Clerks (for Minutes, postage, etc.) _____$ 50.00

6. Ordered that the next sitting of this Association be held with Hollow Springs Church, in Caldwell County, N. C., on Friday, Saturday and first Sunday in September, 1955.

7. Ordered that we have 300 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed as usual, and that the Clerks superintend the same.

8. Called for unfinished business: None.

9. Called for new business and announcements.

10. Ordered that we thank this church and the brethren and sisters of sister churches, together with our many friends, for their generous support and untiring efforts to make this year's meeting one that will long be remembered, and that we fail not to give thanks to God for having kept us through the year just past, and for permitting us another such sweet Association in love, peace and fellowship.

11. Ordered that we adjourn until the time and place of our next meeting, with benediction by Elder Henry McMillon of Lenoir, N. C.

Elder Henry McMillon, Moderator

Brother C. D. McGee, Clerk

Brother Earl Coffey, Assistant Clerk

HOME ELDERS AND ADDRESSES

Elder L. L. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 112, West Asheville, N. C.

Elder Orvin J. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 137, West Asheville, N. C.

Elder Henry C. McMillon, Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.

Elder W. E. Snyder, 44 W. Devonshire St., Winston-Salem, N. C.

VISITING ELDERS AND ADDRESSES

(By Associations or Churches)

Original Bear Creek

Elder E. H. Simpson, Rt. 4, Concord, N. C.

Elder C. L. Ratcliff, Rt. 2, Monroe, N. C.

Elder C. M. Mills, Rt. 1, Box 124, Charlotte, N. C.

Little River

Elder J. S. Collins, Rt. 1, Angier, N. C.

Mount Zion Church

Elder Rice Bolenger, Rt. 2, Batavia, Ohio.

CHURCHES COMPOSING THF RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION. September 1954	Rec'd by Exp. & Bap.	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Relation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship
Hollow Springs, Caldwell Co., N. C.								35
Mountain Home, Buncombe Co., N. C.	1				1			30
Philadelphia, Caldwell Co., N. C.	4							38
Reddies River, Wilkes Co., N. C.						13		15
TOTALS	5				1	13		118

Hollow Springs—A brick church building on Lenoir-Wilkesboro highway (N. C. 18) 13 miles northeast of Lenoir on right side of highway, or 20 miles southwest of Wilkesboro, on left side of highway.

Pastor: Elder Henry C. McMillon _____ Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Ass't Pastor: Elder V. V. Willard _____ Rt. 2, High Point, N. C.
Church Clerk: Brother C. D. McGee _____ Rt. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Regular Meetings: Second Sunday and Saturday before.

Mountain Home—A brick church building at 60 Morris Ave., W. Asheville, N. C. From Haywood Road in West Asheville via Brevard Road (N. C. 191) to 3rd paved street on right. From Brevard or Hendersonville via 191, enter city limits and cross over top of first hill to 2nd paved street on left. Church sign at corner of Brevard Rd., and Morris Ave.

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Church Clerk: Bro. Herman O. Gaddy _____ Rt. 3, W. Asheville, N. C.
Ass't Church Clerk: Sister Maude Gallamore, 99 N. Holland, Asheville
Regular Meetings: Every Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Philadelphia—A brick church building. From Lenoir, take highway U. S. 321A south to Whitnel, turn right at first stop light, continue to forks of road at large brick church, turn right, proceed about 3 miles to end of hard surface at Philadelphia Church on right. From Hickory, take U. S. 321 northwest to Whitnel, at above-mentioned stop light turn left and proceed as above.

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Church Clerk: Brother Earl Coffey _____ Rt. 9, Lenoir, N. C.
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Regular Meetings: Fourth Sunday and Saturday before.

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Minutes

OF THE

Seventy-Sixth
Annual Session

OF THE

Re-organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Mountain Home Primitive Baptist Church

BUNCOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 4, 5, AND 6,

1959

Next Session convenes with Philadelphia Church, Caldwell County, N. C., Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1960

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Proceedings

OF THE RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, September 4, 1959

The Re-organized Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association met with Mountain Home Primitive Baptist Church, Buncombe County, North Carolina, Friday, September 4, 1959, at 10:00 o'clock.

After praise and prayer by Elder Orvin J. Huffman, the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Henry C. McMillon, whose subject was "The Church—building upon the foundation of Christ." Prayer by Elder Andrew Gregory.

After lunch, the ministers and messengers re-assembled in the house, and after praise and prayer by Elder Gregory, it was moved and seconded that Elder Henry C. McMillon act as Moderator, Elder Orvin J. Huffman as Clerk, and Brother C. D. McGee as Assistant Clerk.

1. Called for letters from the churches composing this Association. The letters being handed in and read, the messengers therein named were seated for the transaction of business.

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Original Bear Creek: File of Minutes. (Correspondents arrived for Sunday session.)

Little River: File of Minutes.

Tennessee-Nolachucky (Consolidated): File of Minutes.

Collins River: File of Minutes.

3. Called for visiting brethren and sisters from sister Associations and churches and received the following:

Powell's Valley: Elder Andrew Gregory.

4. Ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this sitting. He appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Preaching: Brethren Sam Hartley, J. T. Gallamore, M. F. Green.

Committee on Finance: Elder Orvin J. Huffman, Brethren

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K. Crawford, Oren Huffman, Foster Chason, Sam Hartley.

5. Called on brethren who visited sister Associations last year to report, who reported and were discharged.

6. Ordered that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock. Prayer by Elder McMillon.

Following a short intermission, hymns of praise were again lifted to the God of heaven, and then Elder Andrew Gregory preached, using as his subject, "A people whom God loved before they had existence." Prayer by Elder McMillon.

After supper, praises were sung and prayer offered by Brother Frank Rogers. Elder Orvin J. Huffman preached, text, John 1:13—"Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." Prayer by Brother Foster Chason.

SATURDAY, September 5, 1959

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday with praise and prayer by Brother Gene Watson.

1. Extended invitation for visitors and correspondents, and received the following:

Ray's Fork Church (Corinth, Ky.): Elder Rice Bolender and wife, Brother Glenn Wright and wife.

2. Ordered that we continue correspondence with the following Associations:

Original Bear Creek (Friday before 3rd Sunday in September, at Liberty Hill Church near Albemarle, N. C.): Elder Henry C. McMillon, Brethren Leonard Anderson, K. Crawford, Gene Watson, Howard Coffey, M. F. Green, C. D. McGee.

Little River (Friday before 4th Sunday in September, at Smithfield Church, Smithfield, N. C.): Brethren C. D. McGee, Sam Hartley.

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4. Called on the Committee on Preaching to report, who reported the order of preaching as shown herein, and were discharged.

5. Called on the Committee on Finance to report, who reported the financial statement herein, and were discharged.

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8. Called for unfinished business: None.

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11. Ordered that we adjourn until the time and place of our next meeting.

While a hymn of praise was sung, the hand of fellowship and friendship was extended all around. Following this, these Minutes were read and approved, and this year's business session of the Association was closed with benediction by Elder Rice Bolender.

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After a short intermission, the congregation re-assembled with songs of praise. Elder Rice Bolender preached on the text, Rom. 11:5—"Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the eletion of grace." The congregation was then dismissed for lunch.

Lunch being ended, the congregation assembled with hymns of praise, and Elder Henry C. McMillon preached on the text, Luke 9:23—"And He said to them all, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me." Prayer by Elder Bolender.

That night, services were opened with praise and prayer by Brother Glenn Wright. Elder Andrew Gregory preached, using the text, John 5:25—"Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live." Prayer by Elder Bolender.

SUNDAY, September 6, 1959

Sunday morning the congregation was blessed to enjoy three good sermons. After praise and prayer by Elder W. E. Snyder, invitation was extended to visitors and correspondents, and the following were received:

Original Bear Creek: Elder Brice Haigler, Brother G. W. Haigler and wife, and Sister Carl Haigler.

Pilgrim's Rest: Sister Kate Mizell.

Preaching first was Elder Rice Bolender, whose text was Acts 2:41—"Then they that gladly received His word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls." He was followed by Elder Brice Haigler on the text Eph. 1:4-6—"According as He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, wherein He hath made us accepted in the Beloved." The closing sermon was delivered by Elder Henry C. McMillon, text Col. 3:1—"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where

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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES COMPOSING THE RE-ORGANIZED SILVER CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION September, 1959	Baptized	Rec'd. by Letter	Rec'd. by Relation	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Deceased	Membership
Hollow Springs, Caldwell Co., N. C.	4	..	2		..			41
Mountain Home, Buncombe Co., N. C.	.	..	..			..	1	27
Philadelphia, Caldwell Co., N. C.	3	..			..		1	38
Reddies River, Wilkes Co., N. C.	.	..	..			.	..	14
Totals	7		2	..			2	120